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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 16, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal, Petition for a three-months extension of time, and Information Disclosure Statement are filed herewith. The listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.